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OUR EXCELLENT SCHOOLS BEGUN

East Florida Seminary and Graded and High School.

THE ENROLLMENT IS LARGE.

Work Progressing Nicely—Superintendents and Faculties Busy.

The Seminary began its fifty-third year Monday morning with the largest attendance in its history.

A number of visitors were present. Rev. Hay conducted the religious exercises.

Superintendent Guiliams made a brief address explaining the policy of the institution and setting forth his ideas as to what education means.

He paid his respects to the hooliganism engaged in at many colleges and stated that he could not understand how such acts were permitted by institutions whose purpose is to prepare young men and women for the duties of life.

He advised the students to be ladies and gentlemen at all times and ever to uphold the reputation of the Seminary.

The students were advised in regard to their courses of study.

PROGRAM PREPARED—WORK BEGUN. The program of recitation for the term was then prepared and at seven o'clock class work began.

Each of the classes reported to its teacher for fifteen minutes and lessons were assigned, everything is working as smoothly as if school had been in session for a month.

The Freshman Class numbered over sixty. A number of the classes are so large that they will have to be sectioned.

All the teachers have heavy work. Nearly all the students take regular courses and the year's work begins with the most flattering prospects of success.

The barracks are full of excellent young men from all over the country. Many others will enter school in a few days.

Boarding places outside the barracks will have to be secured for many cadets.

The number of young ladies at the girls dormitory is much larger than last year.

Supt Guiliams and his excellent faculty are to be congratulated on the work they are doing.

WHY MANY CAME HERE. It has already been ascertained that many of the students in the Seminary came here because Gainesville is a dry town.

One came from Washington, on county-right through Tallahassee where there is a good school—because there were no saloons in Gainesville. A saloon keeper in a sister city sent his son here because the town was dry.

He says he himself will do the wrong for his whole family, and he wants his boy to read the Bible, and be a good boy.

He wants him to keep away from saloons and let liquor alone, and for that reason he sent him to Gainesville to go to school.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL. The Gainesville Graded and High School is now in the second week of the fall term, and the enrollment we are told is larger than ever before.

Prof. J. H. Fuls, the principal, and his able assistants are getting down to business, and the students are beginning to know their places and make good use of the splendid advantages with which they are blessed.

The enrollment being very large and others known to be coming, it is thought the building will be crowded, but Prof. Fuls will see that none are slighted who come.

No other town in the State can boast of two just such schools as are East Florida Seminary and Gainesville Graded and High School. Students are coming here from all over the State, and well they may come, for Gainesville is truly an ideal school town.

A Correction. In Tuesday's Star we said that Rev. W. J. Carpenter was the officiating minister and Robert McClellan funeral director when little Mary Pinkoson was being funeralized and laid to rest last Monday.

We find that we were mistaken about the minister. Funeral Director or McClellan, who is also a licensed minister, by special request officiated as both funeral director and minister.

Those Noble Ladies. The ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Gainesville, now that the liquor traffic in the county is breathing its last, have taken steps to secure for this city a Young Men's Christian Association building and hospital to cost about \$15,000.

May these good ladies be abundantly successful in their efforts for good is the earnest desire of the editor.

For Sheriff. To the Voters of Alachua County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the action of the next Democratic primary.

If elected, I promise to discharge the duties of the office to the very best of my ability, and I solicit the support of all voters at the polls.

Respectfully, W. C. HAGUE.

MICANOPY HAPPENINGS.

About What is Being Done and Said in Our Sister Town.

Micanopy, Oct. 1.—J. E. Thrasher has returned from a business trip to Baltimore.

The residence of S. R. Chitty has been re-covered and otherwise improved.

S. H. Benjamin has been having his store repaired.

W. R. Carter, once a resident of Micanopy but now of Jacksonville, has been attending to business and meeting old friends here recently.

Among the boarding students who will be here at school this term is Miss Lucile Moon, a pleasing young lady, of Sampson, who will be with her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Feaster.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Melton and children have returned from an extended visit among relatives and friends in Georgia.

Mrs. Moot left Sunday for High Springs, where she will assist in the school of which her husband is the principal.

Dr. L. Montgomery is building a power house, and otherwise improving his splendid property here.

Dr. Johnson has returned from a trip in South Florida. This trip was one of business and pleasure combined.

The school opened here Monday with an enrollment of nearly a hundred. It is thought the enrollment will go higher this term than ever before.

Gainesville is a splendid school town—no one doubts that—but, Mr. Editor, Micanopy, for a town of its size, can not be excelled.

A SAD DEATH.

Little Joe Gracy Died in Tennessee—Buried at High Springs.

Died on Sept. 23, at the home of his grand father—Mr. Jerry Stephens—at Troy Tenn., little Joe J. Gracy, the nineteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gracy, of High Springs, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Gracy had been spending the summer at their old home in Tennessee, and just about the time they were preparing to return to Florida little Joe was stricken down with the flux, and notwithstanding everything that could be done was done for the child he lingered only four days, and then passed away.

The illness and death of their little son defined Mr. and Mrs. Gracy in Tennessee a few days longer than they expected to be there, and how unlike the joyful return they had looked forward to only a few days before, was their return to High Springs last Sunday, when they went from the depot to the cemetery, and there consigned to mother earth all that was mortal of their dear little Joe.

Rev. J. F. Gracy, uncle of the deceased, had been notified by wire, and came up from Lakeland to be present and officiate at the burial. Friends in High Springs had been notified of the sad affair and were prepared to meet the remains and offer condolence to the bereaved ones.

Joe J. Gracy was born February 14, 1902, and died Sept. 23, 1903, being nineteen months and nine days old. To the devoted parents it was a severe blow, but God knew best, and may He comfort them in the hour of their sore bereavement.

To Pay Obligations.

At a recent meeting of the County School Board Dr. J. L. Kelley, the recently appointed member of the board, offered a resolution which was unanimously carried, that the board hereafter set aside \$10,000 a year to pay on its obligations, and then let the schools be run as far as the remainder of the school funds will carry them.

The above is not the wording of the resolution, but is the substance of what we understand the intent and purpose of the resolution to be.

Alachua county has fine schools and school buildings, but it is well known that about all school boards are more or less in doubt, and Dr. Kelley thinks it advisable for the Alachua county board to begin to come out of debt, and that was the reason he had for offering the resolution, which was very properly carried.

Safe Blown Open.

Last Friday night burglars entered the postoffice at Bronson, blew open the iron safe, and got therefrom two registered letters and some money. Postmaster Lindsay thinks there was about \$100 taken.

No stamps were taken, and some paper money which was in an envelope was also left. It is supposed the robbers did not find it. There seems to be no clue to the guilty parties but it is hoped that they may be apprehended and brought to justice. The postmaster wired the postal authorities as soon as the robbery was discovered.

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John W. Trench, Local Agent, Gainesville, Fla.

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Engine Has Been Put Up—Cars in Tact.

PUT ON TRIAL WEDNESDAY.

A Piece of Recently Constructed Street Was Rolled, and Then to Other Work.

Mr. Allen Rogers, of Ocala, through whom the county commissioners recently purchased road building machinery, notified the commissioners one day last week that he would be here last Monday to put up the machinery and put it to work, and requested them to be here at that time.

Commissioner Thomas was not at home, and for some cause none of the others came in Monday, but Commissioner Dampier came Tuesday evening and witnessed the work of rolling some recently constructed street, etc., Wednesday.

The great road engine attracted much attention as it came puffing up the street from the freight yard where it was unloaded and put together, and after the train of cars had been "side-tracked" on the south side of the square Mr. Rogers and Mr. Weeks (an expert at working the machinery) proceeded to roll and pack the recently constructed South Garden Street between Liberty and Union. This work was nicely done, but Hon. Jno. G. Dampier, the only commissioner who was present to see the performance, and who is ever on the lookout for the interest of his county, said: "I tell you that looks all very well, but what I want is to see the thing out in the country, where the roads are to be built. I want to see it out on the dirt, and then see the cars loaded with rock, and then if it will climb the sand hills like it moves about on these rock streets I'll know it's all right. I hope the other members of the Board will be here tomorrow, and then we will give it a fair test."

Yesterday Commissioners Thomas, chairman; Dampier, Johnson and Ramsey (a full board except Commissioner Bryant) were here and all seemed as anxious as had Dampier before the others came to see the machine thoroughly tested before accepting it, and while none of the commissioners would talk much, it was the opinion of those who watched their faces, that they were somewhat doubtful about the ability of the machine to do what the makers claim for it.

We hope there is no cause for any fears along that line—and so do the commissioners—but if there is anything wrong now is the time to find it out, and this the commissioners are resolved to do.

In order to thoroughly test the machine the commissioners will take it out in the direction of Paradise today. They have strengthened a bridge between here and Paradise so as to insure the safe passage of the engine and cars over the bridge, and now it is to be seen if the thing will work on bad roads, in sand and in clay, etc., and if it won't we presume the commissioners will not accept it. But we will know soon (possibly by tonight) what is to be done about it. Commissioner Dampier says: "We want a road to 'Paradise,' and if the thing won't travel in that direction we don't need it."

TRENTON HAPPENINGS.

Machinery Will Remain—Fine Girl—Other News.

Trenton, Sept. 29.—We are having some fine cotton saving weather in this neck of the woods. The cotton crop is short, but what there is of the staple will make a fine sample at the gins.

The machinery belonging to B. S. Williams that was reported sold will be operated at the same old stand in the future as in the past.

Lee Colson went to Newberry Saturday on business.

Theodore Kidd, a popular young man of Judson, was visiting friends here today. He will leave Wednesday for Bartow, where he will spend eight months in school.

B. S. Williams, who has been quite ill with fever, is improving.

W. W. Colson and family removed to Gainesville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Miller are rejoicing over the arrival of their first born—a bouncing baby girl.

E. F. Corbett of Ellaville is visiting relatives and friends here.

C. A. Williams made a business trip to Bell today.

Miss Nona Vinzant will leave tomorrow for home at DeLand.

Homer Love and wife were pleasant callers at B. F. Williams Sunday afternoon.

It is now understood that school will begin at Trenton Monday, October 5.

Mr. T. Jones, a prominent young man of this place, visited his sister near Judson Sunday.

Wonder who will be county superintendent of schools if Superintendent Holloway makes the race for State Superintendent? Will it be G. M. Lynch, N. B. Mott or J. G. Kellum?

ELDER JOHNSON ELOQUENT.

His Sermon Sunday Night Greatly Enjoyed.

Of the pastor of the North Gainesville Advent church (who lives in Tampa) and of a sermon preached by him, the Tampa Times says: "The house was crowded at the Advent Christian church Sunday night to hear Elder Johnson's sermon on the eastern question. In giving the origin of the empire he said in substance: In the year 395 Theodosius, the emperor of Rome, died, and the empire was divided between his two sons, Arcadius and Honorius. Arcadius took the eastern division and made Constantinople his capital, while Honorius took the western division and fixed his capital at Rome. The two great questions of our time involve these two cities. We are often asked why do you people term the Turk the 'sick man of the east'?"

One has only to glance at history to learn why this term is applied to the Turk. From 1858 to 1861 the Turk lost nearly 500,000 square miles of territory. Thus he has been growing weaker. I do not pretend to say how long we have to wait. I do not say that the present trouble between the powers and the Turk will end in his expulsion from Europe. I am not a prophet, but only a humble student of the prophets. But while 'no man knoweth the day nor the hour' when our Lord shall come, we know it is 'near, even at the doors.' And those who study prophecy can see no stronger sign of this fact than the present aspect of the eastern question. The Turk must go. God has decreed it. And his going cannot long be delayed! And, if this application of prophecy is correct, when he goes and makes in Palestine his last stand against his enemies we may look with confidence for the consummation of our hope in the 'coming of our Lord and our gathering unto him.' Rome and Constantinople are the two great storm centers of prophecy in 'the last days' as they were in the first days of the Christian dispensation, and might by their changing aspect serve as ever increasing signs of the approaching consummation. Let us be watchful, and prayerful, and work for the salvation of our fellow men, letting our light shine and beseeching them to be reconciled to God."

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Haile of Alachua were in the city Tuesday.

Car load of buggies just arrived and on sale at Thomas' stables.

H. D. Mason of Tacoma was in the city yesterday on business.

Have your clothing cleaned at Owen Lloyd's Dye Works. July 14, if Mrs. O. L. York of Arredondo was shopping in Gainesville Tuesday.

A car load of wagons just received and on sale at Thomas' stables.

Capt. J. J. Barr of Micanopy was a business visitor to the city Wednesday.

Miss Maggie Hutchinson of Tampa is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Mr. Hodgson, merchant of Archer, was a business visitor to town yesterday.

Car load of first-class Kentucky horses and mules just arrived, and on sale at Thomas' stables.

H. Hengeveld, an Atlantic Coast Line employee with headquarters in Savannah, was here Tuesday.

Col. E. C. F. Sanchez has returned from Hot Springs, Ark., where he spent nearly two months very pleasantly.

The largest and best assortment of harness ever brought to Gainesville is now offered for sale at W. R. Thomas' stables.

Joe Tinsley, formerly of this city but now of Tampa, has been the guest of his mother, Mrs. M. E. Tinsley, several days this week.

Fresh meats, groceries and vegetables (call, send me your orders or 'phone for what you want. J. G. Harrold, 'Phone No. 25).

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Stephens of Alachua were shopping in the city yesterday and transacting business with the county tax collector.

If you want money to buy a home, build a house, or pay off a mortgage, or a contract for profitable investment see Moyers.

Rev. W. J. Carpenter has returned to the city from Live Oak, where he lectured Wednesday night on the "Aristocracy of Youth."

Kenney McCook and Allen Graham have returned from Poukeepsie, N. Y., where they attended the Eastman business college.

Miss Hattie Knight, the popular proprietress of the Hotel Troy, at High Springs, was in the city shopping Wednesday.

J. B. Gerald, general salesman for the New Home Sewing Machine Company, spent a few days with his family in this city this week.

Yesterday being a holiday with the Israelitish merchants, Salesman Watkins, with M. Endel, spent the day with friends at Archer.

Attorney B. A. Thrasher went to Bronson on legal business Wednesday night, returned to the city on the early train Thursday morning.

Busy men have too many vexations to put up with any but the best pen. Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen is the best pen for busy men. L. C. Smith.

Attorneys Chris Matheson, C. C. Thomas and W. S. Broome, three of Gainesville's most popular legal lights, went to High Springs Wednesday on professional business.

W. P. Coffey has returned from a business trip in South Florida. He will be found at the same old stand formerly occupied by him—with the Southern Express Company, this city.

The largest and best assortment of horses, mules, harness, buggies and wagons ever offered for sale in this city is now on sale at Thomas' stables.

When the good roads machinery was put together and put in motion on the streets here Wednesday morning it attracted almost as much attention as a circus would have attracted.

FOR SALE. A beautiful soda fount, in perfect order, and very cheap. Any one wishing a bargain should come to The Star office and see this fount. If

Col. and Mrs. W. H. Palmer of North Gainesville were among those who went on the excursion to Tampa Wednesday. Col. Palmer continued on to Punta Gorda, where he went on business.

Anniversaries of all sorts are happily commemorated by a gift of silver. We have beautiful and useful articles in both sterling and long-wearing plate. L. C. Smith.

Dr. Sibley was called from the train at Fairbanks Tuesday to visit Mr. T. J. Ward, who is ill with typho malarial fever, which he contracted while he was away down on the Suwannee river.

Wants a Horse.—The Cable Piano Company wants to trade a good piano or organ for a good buggy horse. For further particulars call on A. L. Reeder, local manager, 407 West Court Street, Gainesville, Fla. 11 Septim.

Miss Ella C. Stapleton of Patterson, N. J., is the guest of her cousin, Miss Sallie Pinkoson, this city. Miss Stapleton came with City Marshal Chas. Pinkoson, when he returned from his recent trip to New York and New Jersey.

I am hammering down the prices on china ware and have just received a new open stock pattern. Try to remember that you can not buy china ware cheaper anywhere than I am selling it. L. C. Smith.

J. M. Mason has installed beautiful new marble slabs in his place of business. He is prospering—if appearances are to be considered—and expects to do his full share of the drink and confectionary business in Gainesville the coming season.

If your hair is becoming thin try Giddings Unparalleled Hair Grower. For sale by Dr. S. B. Giddings, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store, High Springs.

Do not fail to see and read Garrett's new advertisements in today's Star. See his advertisement, and then call at his school of art over Matheson's Shoe store, in Miller's Law Exchange. If you want good work, or if you want to learn to do good work, see Garrett.

City Marshal Charles Pinkoson has returned from a trip to New York. While on the trip Mr. Pinkoson went over into New Jersey and visited some relatives there. He says his trip was a pleasant one. He enjoyed the visit to the great Metropolis, and also his visit over in New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Sewall have returned from Alabama, where they have been during the past year, and Mr. Sewall, who was a popular salesman in the store of J. M. Endel when here before, has accepted a position in the large store of Mrs. R. Wilson, where he will be pleased to serve his old friends.

Rev. J. B. Holley, pastor of the First Baptist church, and senior editor of the Southern Baptist left a few days ago to attend an association in Madison. This pastor and editor will be absent from Gainesville more than usual during the Association season, but he has arranged for every service to have a leader.

Don't get mad with Collector Ellis when he asks you to pay your occupation tax. He didn't make the law by which almost every business is required to pay a license to do business. The legislature made the law, and it applies to other towns as well as ours. The city fathers are the ones who can enforce or reject the law.

Mr. L. C. Gracy of High Springs, accompanied by his brother, Rev. Gracy, of Lakeland, was in the city yesterday. Rev. Gracy had been to High Springs, and was on his way back to Lakeland. Mr. L. C., and family, returned last Sunday from Tennessee, where they spent most of the summer at their old home. We were sorry to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Gracy returned to Florida mourning the loss of their youngest child. It was taken ill about the time they were preparing to return to Florida, and lived only four days.

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THOSE WHO seemed to think when we started more than four months ago that THE STAR appeared in the journalistic sky only for the purpose of shining on a short temperance campaign were mistaken.

THE STAR is the PEOPLE'S paper, and will advocate such candidates for office as the editor conscientiously believes are the people's best friends when principle, experience and ability are all considered, and, while friendly suggestions are always welcomed, the policy of THE STAR will be controlled only by its editor and proprietor.

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IF YOU favor our ideas—political and otherwise—you will enjoy reading THE STAR during the coming campaign which is to be the greatest ever conducted in Florida, and if you differ with the editor, on political or other matters, you should read the paper so that you can know where to hit him and how to head him off.

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